

# The Scoop

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for library youth services

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## DATES & DEADLINES

- Training for Idaho elementary school librarians in [Moscow on August 8](#), in [Boise on August 10](#), and in [Pocatello on August 16](#). Register now!
- [National Summer Learning Day, July 14](#)
- [Summer Reading Reports](#) due **September 15**.

## WELCOME

By Staci Shaw

On July 9, 1984, former US President Ronald Reagan declared July, "National Ice Cream Month," and the third Sunday of the month, "National Ice Cream Day." According to Proclamation number 5219, the event should be observed "with appropriate ceremonies and activities."



*The Scoop* staff celebrated by sampling Baskin Robbins' new Polar Pizza, made with Jamocha Almond Fudge ice cream and Heath Bar chunks. It was a messy job, but alas, it was our patriotic duty. (Pictured clockwise: Tammy Hawley-House, Julie Armstrong, Jeannie Standal, Staci Shaw)

Stephanie Bailey-White took National Ice Cream Month internationally, choosing to celebrate in Rome with some gelato while resting outside the Pantheon.

How is your library celebrating? Post your photos on our Facebook page: [readtomeidaho](#)



# LIBRARY TO LIBRARY

## School and Public Library Partnerships

What do you think would foster stronger ties between school and public libraries? Tell AASL, ALSC and YALSA via this brief online survey: [www.surveymonkey.com/r/JMGXGRV](http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/JMGXGRV).

The AASL/ALSC/YALSA Interdivisional Committee on School/Public Library Cooperation will use your feedback to create an awesome toolkit. **Please respond by July 15th.** One lucky survey taker will be drawn at random to get a free box of books (worth \$100).

## Backpack Sightings

If you see summer reading backpacks out and about send in your quick pics!



Mountain Home, submitted by Shasta Bolduc

Emmett Cherry Festival, submitted by Dian Scott

## Idaho libraries partnering with IPTV to stop summer slide

Cindy Lunte, Idaho Public Television's new Education Specialist, is teaming up with seven libraries this summer to bring stories and favorite Public Television characters to children in rural areas to help support library summer reading programs. The project is funded by a Public Television grant and Idaho Public Television.

Cindy, accompanied by pals Curious George and Elmo, read stories, do activities, and then let the kids choose a book to take home and keep. George and Elmo hang around to pose for pictures. The central Idaho events have drawn 30 – 35 children and families so far, and the Buhl event drew over 100. "The most interesting part," said Cindy, "is the wide range of ages that have attended, from toddlers to high



school, since some older children brought younger ones to the event and then decided to choose books for themselves."

*Library events and dates:*

Winchester and Grangeville: June 22

Buhl: June 29

Payette: July 13

Glenns Ferry: July 20

Kamiah and Kooskia: August 3

Cindy will also be attending the Family STEM Night at the Mountain Home Library on July 14.



Above: Prairie River Library District  
Winchester branch

Left: Grangeville Library

Below: Buhl Library



## Treasure Valley "Literacy in the Park" Kick-Off

Boise, Garden City, Ada Community, and Boise State University librarians are bringing books to kids this summer with the Literacy in the Park program. Each week librarians visit 25 parks and read to kids.



See [Idaho Education News full news story and video](#). Pictured: ICfL Project Coordinator Julie Armstrong reads to children and families at Winstead Park in Boise on the first day of Picnic in the Park/Literacy in the Park, June 6.



## YOUNG ADULT CORNER

### Website links from YALSA that all YA librarians should bookmark:

- Guidelines for Teen Services <http://www.ala.org/yalsa/guidelines>
- Professional Tools for Teen Services: <http://www.ala.org/yalsa/professionaltools>
- Summer Learning Network: <http://summerreading.ning.com/>
- Teen Programming HQ: <http://hq.yalsa.net/index.html>
- Teen Read Week: [www.ala.org/teenread](http://www.ala.org/teenread)
- Teen Tech Week: [www.ala.org/teentechweek](http://www.ala.org/teentechweek)
- The Hub: <http://www.yalsa.ala.org/thehub/>
- YALSA wiki: [http://wikis.ala.org/yalsa/index.php/Main\\_Page](http://wikis.ala.org/yalsa/index.php/Main_Page)
- YALSAblog: <http://yalsa.ala.org/blog/>

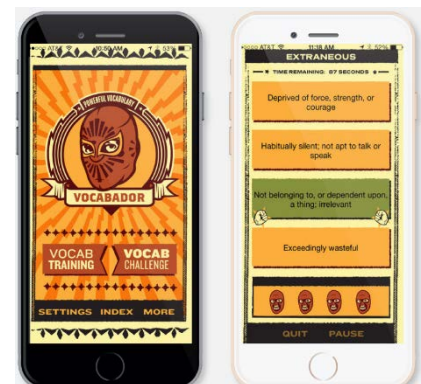
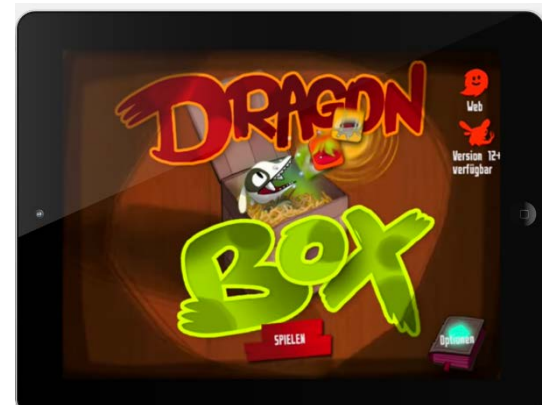
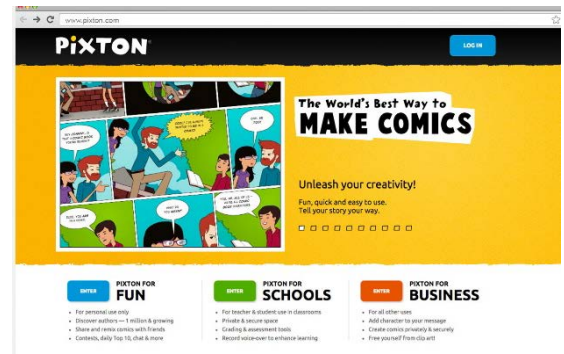
### For youth and families:

- Parent's Guide to Teen Reading [English](#) / [Spanish](#)
- Teens Need Libraries <http://www.ala.org/yalsa/teens-need-libraries>

## 10 Summer Learning Apps and Games for Teens and Tweens

Need some recommendations for bored tween and tweens this summer? Parents will be delighted for some help keeping their kids engaged. From [Understood.org](http://Understood.org).

1. **Pixton**  
Free comic maker; web-based  
<https://www.pixton.com/>
2. **Get the Math**  
Free real world math problems; web-based  
<http://www.thirteen.org/get-the-math/>
3. **The Sports Network 2**  
Simulation game where kids work for ESPN; web-based  
<https://www.brainpop.com/games/thesportsnetwork2/>
4. **Middle School Confidential 1: Be Confident in Who You Are**  
Graphic Novel style social skills app for iOS, Android, Kindle Fire, Nook HD
5. **DragonBox Algebra 12+**  
Algebra gamed based app for iOS, Android, Kindle Fire, Windows
6. **Six-Word Memoirs**  
Poetic creative writing website and app  
<http://www.sixwordmemoirs.com/> and iOS
7. **SuperBetter**  
Game like goal setting app and website  
<https://www.superbetter.com/> and iOS
8. **Instructables**  
Free comprehensive DIY website  
<http://www.instructables.com/>, iOS and Android
9. **Vocabador**  
Vocabulary builder in Mexican wrestling game setting  
iOS
10. **PowerMyLearning**  
Free activities covering a range of academic skills  
<http://powermylearning.org/learn/learning-games-activities>



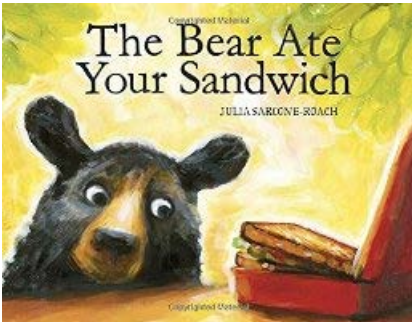
## SCHOOL ZONE

School Zone is out for the summer—See you in the fall!



## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Jumpstart's Read for the Record 2016 title announced



Jumpstart's *Read for the Record*® was launched over a decade ago to address the educational inequities that leave too many children unprepared for kindergarten. On **Thursday, October 27, 2016**, children and adults will gather to read, learn, and laugh as they join together for the world's largest shared reading experience. This 24-hour celebration builds awareness, creates impact, and raises funds to bring Jumpstart to communities across the country.

Join in on October 27, 2016 by reading *The Bear Ate Your Sandwich* by Julia Sarcone-Roach, a classic tale of a bear's epic journey and the mystery of one delicious sandwich!

## TIPS AND TOOLS

### 2016 ALA-CBC Building a Home Library lists

Every two years the ALA-Children's Book Council Joint Committee produces a set of booklists that provide a good foundation for a child's home collection. These lists were developed from titles compiled by ALSC's Quicklists Consulting Committee for each age range: 0-3, 4-7, 8-11 and 12-14.

The four [Building a Home Library Lists](#) are available for download in booklet and handout formats. The lists are also available on the [Children's Book Council's](#) site.



### New Jim Gill CD

Fans of Jim Gill will want to check out his new CD, *Vote for Jim Gill*, which went on sale July 4. See [www.jimgill.com](http://www.jimgill.com) for more details. Here's a fingerplay/song on the new CD:



## Free Summer Meals Bookmarks



USDA  
U.S. Department of Agriculture

**SUMMER MEALS**  
for  
**KIDS & TEENS**  
Being Served  
in your Community

To find a nearby site:  
Call 1-866-348-6479

Go to [www.fns.usda.gov/summerfoodrocks](http://www.fns.usda.gov/summerfoodrocks)

Text FOOD to 877-877  
operated by  
a USDA partner

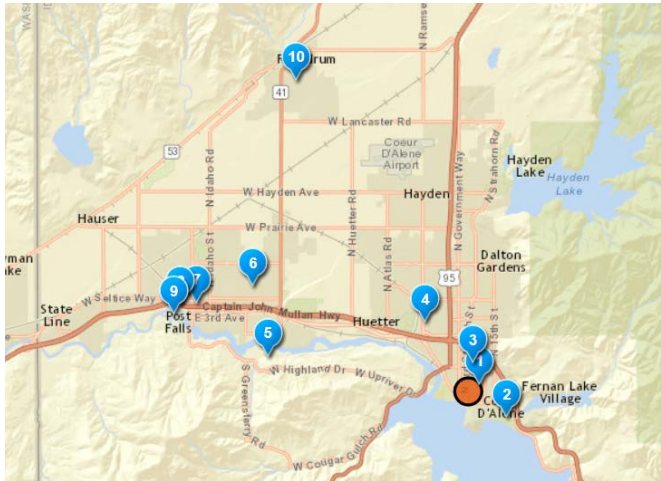
Open to all children  
18 and younger  
**NO Enrollment,  
NO Cost!**



USDA is an equal opportunity employer and provider.

The State Department of Education's Summer Food Service Program has provided ICfL with hundreds of USDA summer meals bookmarks available for distribution this summer. The bookmark helps kids and families locate the nearest free meal site in their area by calling, texting, or going online using the USDA's [Summer Food Rocks](http://www.fns.usda.gov/summerfoodrocks) website. They are in English on one side and Spanish on the other.

If your library would like bookmarks email [staci.shaw@libraries.idaho.gov](mailto:staci.shaw@libraries.idaho.gov) and tell us how many you'd like.



There are **over 300 meal sites** in Idaho this summer!

To use the Meal Locator, simply put in a zipcode or city and all sites in that area will come up. (Pictured: Coeur d'Alene area)

Find more Summer Meals resources at [www.fns.usda.gov/sfsp/summer-meals-toolkit](http://www.fns.usda.gov/sfsp/summer-meals-toolkit).

## SUMMER READING NEWS

### Summer Reading Program Report due September 15

We ask that every Idaho public library submit the number of children and teens that participate in your summer reading program each year. If you are not hosting a program this year, you only need to answer one question on the report telling us such. We try to keep the required questions on the report limited to the information we need for our own reporting purposes; we also ask optional questions that help us improve our service to you.

This year we are also asking you to report your final numbers for all Bright Futures programs in which your library participated. If you did not participate in any Bright Futures programs you can skip over these sections. [Click here](#) to see which programs your library will need to supply data for.

Reports are due **September 15** and the link can be found at <http://libraries.idaho.gov/landing/summer-reading>. See a **preview** of the data you will be asked to submit: [Word Document](#)

**Bonus:** Submit your report on time (or get an approved extension from Staci) and be entered to win a 2017 summer reading t-shirt (provided compliments of CSLP)!

## ICfL Summer Reading video to use and share!

ICfL has taken the radio ads we created last year and turned them into videos to use to promote summer reading. Check out the spots at the ICfL website at <http://libraries.idaho.gov/page/summer-reading-resources> or our [YouTube channel](#) -- under ICfL Summer Reading. A Spanish-version is also available.

We encourage libraries and schools to share these on any social media outlets and websites you have access to.

The English ads will appear in the following movie theatres this summer. We targeted as many discount theatres as our budget would allow. We hope to purchase ad space in other theatres next summer, depending on the response this summer. The ads will appear in these theatres:

- Paramount 5, Rexburg
- Hayden Discount Cinema
- Roxy Theater, Cascade
- Boise Reel Country Club
- Nampa Reel Theatre
- Grand Teton Stadium 14, Ammon
- Magic Valley Theatre, Twin Falls
- Burley Theater / Century Stadium 5



ICfL Summer Reading

We hope library staff share any feedback you might get if you are located in a community that shows the ad. We'd also love to hear how you are using the video clips on social media.

## FEATURED:

### Summer Hiatus

We recognize that school librarians are typically not checking email, and public librarians are extremely busy with summer reading, so we are forgoing an article this month.



In its place please look at this happy little photo and remember that summer reading will not last forever.

And also, please read the [Summer Reading](#) section above about submitting your library's **summer reading report by September 15.**



## CE NEWS YOU CAN USE

### Coding for Everyone: How Your Library Can Help Anyone Learn to Code

Tuesday, July 19, 2016 ♦ 3 pm Eastern / 12 pm Pacific ♦ 1 hour

Computer programming, or coding, is a digital literacy skill that has become as important as reading and writing. Learning to code builds rational thinking and problem-solving skills, providing powerful tools that transfer to other subjects and create lifelong learners. Libraries have stepped up to help everyone learn the basics of coding - preschoolers, elementary school kids, tweens, teens, young adults, mid-career professionals, and retirees. In this webinar, learn why coding is important for everyone. Hear examples of informal and facilitated learning approaches, resources and best practices for library coding programs for a variety of audiences. And the best news is that you don't need any specialized training in computer programming yourself to run a successful program!

Presented by: **Kelly Smith**, Founder, [Prenda](#)

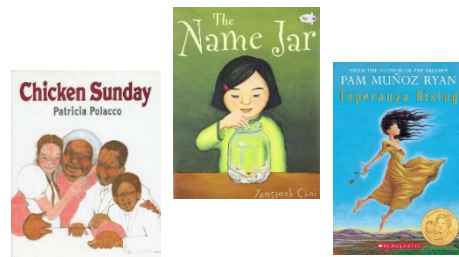
Register

## MULTICULTURAL CONNECTIONS

### 13 Children's Picture Books that Break Racial Stereotypes

Recommendations from one mom looking to help her children celebrate diversity through great read-alouds. Read the entire article at [www.romper.com/p/13-childrens-books-that-break-racial-stereotypes-13088](http://www.romper.com/p/13-childrens-books-that-break-racial-stereotypes-13088).

1. *Chicken Sunday* by Patricia Polacco
2. *Ruby's Wish* by Shirin Yim Bridges
3. *Amazing Grace* by Mary Hoffman
4. *Whoever You Are* by Mem Fox
5. *The Name Jar* by Yangsook Choi
6. *Freedom Summer* by Deborah Wiles
7. *We're Different, We're the Same* by Bobbi Kates
8. *Mixed Me!* by Taye Diggs
9. *Sonia Sotomayor: A Judge Grows In The Bronx* by Jonah Winter
10. *Marisol McDonald Doesn't Match* by Monica Brown
11. *Black Is Brown Is Tan* by Arnold Adoff
12. *Dancing In The Wings* by Debbie Allen
13. *Esperanza Rising* by Pam Munoz Ryan



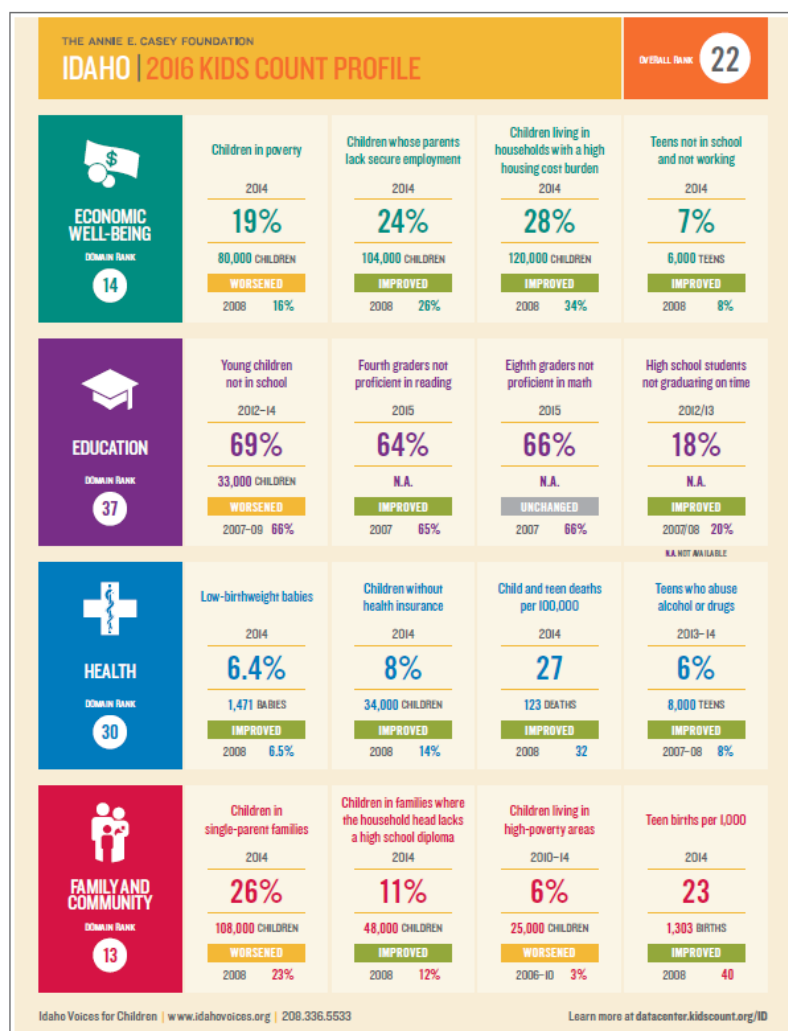
# KNOW THE NUMBERS

## 2016 Kids Count Data Book Released

According to the new report released by the Annie E. Casey Foundation on June 21, as many as 80,000 children in Idaho are living in poverty—that's about 1 in 5. Idaho ranked 22<sup>nd</sup> in overall child well-being, 37<sup>th</sup> in education (dropping three spots from last year), and 30<sup>th</sup> for children's health. Some more statistics:

- 34,000 children without health insurance
- 108,000 children live in single-parent households
- 8,000 teens abuse drugs and alcohol
- 33,000 young children were not in school in 2013-2014

To see the full report and/or order a free copy of the report, go to <http://www.aecf.org/resources/the-2016-kids-count-data-book/>.



# STEAM

## S'mores Time

Summer is here! It's time to make s'mores. But sometimes campfires and libraries aren't a good fit. What's a creative librarian to do? Put on his/her science cap and get cooking.

Get kids excited about science by making a S'mores Solar oven.

All you need is:

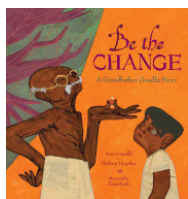
- a pizza box
- aluminum foil
- glue
- black construction paper
- tape
- wood skewers
- s'mores makings.



Get all the instructions at <http://www.stevespanglerscience.com/lab/experiments/solar-oven/>.

# BOOK LOOK

## Dog Days of Summer: July/August Releases

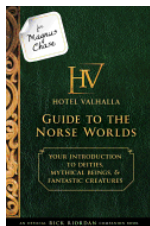


*Be the Change: A Grandfather Gandhi Story*, by Arun Gandhi (August 30). In this breathtaking companion to the award-winning *Grandfather Gandhi*, Arun Gandhi, with Bethany Hegedus, tells a poignant, personal story of the damage of wastefulness. Grades K – 3.

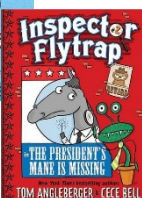


*Towers Falling*, by Jewell Parker Rhodes (July 12). From award-winning author Jewell Parker Rhodes, a powerful novel set fifteen years after the 9/11 attacks. Grades 4 – 7.





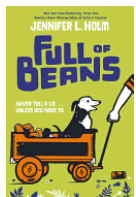
*For Magnus Chase: Hotel Valhalla Guide to the Norse Worlds (an Official Rick Riordan Companion Book): Your Introduction to Deities, Mythical Beings, & Fantastic Creatures*, by Rick Riordan (August 16). This "who's who" guide to the gods, goddesses, and other important figures of Norse mythology was commissioned by Helgi, who, after more than a millennium as manager of Hotel Valhalla, became fed up with answering the same questions from newly deceased heroes at check-in. Grades 4 – 8.



*Inspector Flytrap* (Book #1), and *Inspector Flytrap in the President's Mane Is Missing* (Book #2), by Tom Angleberger and Cece Bell (August 2). From husband-and-wife team Tom Angleberger, creator of the "New York Times" bestselling Origami Yoda series, and Cece Bell, author/illustrator of the Newbery Honor graphic novel "El Deafo," comes the start to a funny and clever illustrated chapter-book series about a mystery-solving Venus flytrap. With easy-to-read language and illustrations on almost every page, this early-chapter-book series is a must for beginning readers. Grades K – 3.



*Dog Man*, by Dav Pilkey (August 30). Graphic Novel. New from the creator of Captain Underpants, it's Dog Man, the crime-biting canine who is part dog, part man, and ALL HERO! Grades 1 – 3.



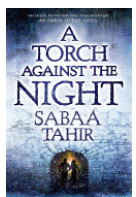
*Full of Beans*, by Jennifer Holm (August 30). Ten-year-old Beans Curry, a member of the Keepsies, the best marble playing gang in Depression-era Key West, Florida, engages in various schemes to earn money while "New Dealers" from Washington, D.C., arrive to turn run down Key West into a tourist resort. Grades 3 – 6.



*Moo*, by Sharon Creech (August 30). Fans of *Love That Dog* and *Hate That Cat* will love this uplifting tale that reminds us that if we're open to new experiences, life is full of surprises. Following one family's momentous move from the city to rural Maine, an unexpected bond develops between twelve-year-old Reena and one very ornery cow. Grades 3 – 6.



*The Thousandth Floor* (Thousandth Floor #1), by Katharine McGee (August 30). New York City as you've never seen it before. A thousand-story tower stretching into the sky. A glittering vision of the future where anything is possible if you want it enough. Welcome to Manhattan, 2118. Grades 7 and up.



*A Torch against the Night* (Ember in the Ashes #2), by Sabaa Tahir (August 30). Sequel to *Ember in the Ashes*, starred reviews from Publisher's Weekly and Booklist. Grades 8 and up.



*Girl in Pieces*, by Kathleen Glasgow (August 30). As she struggles to recover and survive, seventeen-year-old homeless Charlotte "Charlie" Davis cuts herself to dull the pain of abandonment and abuse. Grades 9 and up.

**Talk Back:** *We welcome your feedback on anything in The Scoop. Just email [Stephanie](#), [Staci](#), or [Tammy](#) and we'll print your comments in The Scoop.*

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